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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: GOODMAN, et al.  
For: Apparatus And Method To Activate Transparent Data Storage Drive Firmware Updates

Enclosed are the following:

- [X] Specification 31 pages; Claims 6 pages; Abstract 1 page  
[X] Declaration and Power of Attorney  
[X] Sheet(s) of drawings 11 pages  
[X] An assignment of the invention to: International Business Machines Corporation  
[ ] A certified copy of \_\_\_\_\_ application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_  
[X] Prior Art Disclosure Statement  
[ ] Preliminary Amendment

[ ] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 by way of \_\_\_\_\_ patent application  
No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

Benefit is hereby claimed under Title 35, United States Code 119(e) of United States provisional  
application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

		SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY
BASIC FEE:		\$375.00	\$ 750.00
TOTAL CLAIMS:	24 - 20 =	x 9 =	4 x 18 = 72.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS:	3 - 3 =	x 42 =	x 84 =
MULT. DEPEND. CLAIMS:		+ 140 =	+ 280 =
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